

Math 555 Fall 2011  
Homework 5  
Due October 13

1. 91/4.
2. 91/5. Give proof or counterexample.
3. 152/16.
4. 104/2.
5. 136/10a, b. Your explanation is important.
6. 137/21. Your explanation is important.

When computing Taylor series the formula  $f^{(n)}(z)/n!$  for the coefficients is often not an efficient way to compute. It always pays to try to reduce calculations to known series like the exponential, trigonometric functions, and the geometric series. For example one should compute Taylor series of  $e^z \sin z$  by multiplication. The series of  $e^z$  at  $z$  by writing  $e^z = e^z e^{z-z}$ . The next problem shows another good technique.

7. Compute the first terms of the Taylor series of  $\tan z$  about  $z = 0$  as follows. Write the answer with undetermined coefficients  $a_j$ ,

$$\tan z = \frac{\sin z}{\cos z} = a_0 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + \cdots .$$

Multiply through by  $\cos z$ . Expand  $\sin$  and  $\cos$ . Determine  $a_j$  for  $j \leq 5$  starting with  $a_0$  so that the coefficients of the powers of  $z$  on the two sides coincide. **Discussion.** This method of undetermined coefficients is almost always faster than computing derivatives, *i.e.*  $d^n \tan z / dz^n$ .